

DSN Mission Forum Survey Results

Attend In Person	Attend Remote	Length? (Too Long, Too Short, Just Right)	Material? (Too General, Too specific, Just Right)	Forum Achieved Goals (SA, A, D, SD)	How often?	Where?	What additional informational would you want?	What worked, what should change?
X		JR	JR	A	2-3x per year	JPL	SPS SOE format change. Need a requirements review for SPS with respect to product generation	
X								I was glad I attended the DSN Mission Forum. It was well organized and clearly presented. I learned about some upcoming scheduled events that likely will impact our on-going work.
X		JR	JR	A	1-2x per year	JPL		Last presentation was too long and late in the day.
X		JR	JR	A	1x per year	Alternate	The morning sessions while entertaining and informative, lacked concreteness. That may be because this was the first Mission Forum and this type of introductory activity needed to happen – I understand that. However, during Berner's afternoon session, the reality of the funding situation was made evident, calling into question the feasibility of some of the morning's ideas. The afternoon sessions had more concrete information to take away. As these continue to happen, activities like the morning session need to be grounded in better programmatic realities.	In general, I believe the forum goals were achieved taking into account my comments above.
X		JR	JR	A	1x per year	JPL	Upcoming capabilities, things like 3-way ranging, PN ranging and so one, so the missions know	

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X		JR	JR	A	1x per year	Alternate	Suggest that JPL Multimission Ground System Services (MGSS) program office participate in Forum. Achieving a multimission, integrated approach to the early communications design across the mission set	How do the comments and discussions get folded into some action. Good ideas, but how do we implement. Add section that summarizes actions so that the ideas are retained.
X		JR	JR	D				Somehow you need more mission attendance. Seemed like most attendees were DSN people.
X		JR	JR	SA	1x per year	Madrid		One change I would suggest is to have the film crew be quiet in the booth, their loud laughing and exclamations were quite distracting.
X		JR	JR	SA	1x per year	Alternate	The panel was GREAT! How do we overcome the "chicken and egg" problem of frequency enhanced capability/capacity but being unable to get strong mission advocacy?	
X		JR	JR	SA	1x per year	JPL	Forum at JPL enables lots of DSN personnel who need to attend	
X		JR	JR	SA	1x per year	JPL		Best Forum that I've been to in years. The first half was excellent! Question and Answer with Panel could have gone all day! Great job!

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X		JR	JR	A	2x per year	Alternate	Having a REDBOOK or other specific conflicts with mission concurrence to reduce would have been beneficial to missions when discussing the high contention during the 2011 launches; we went into this Forum without that information.	It was very enlightening that the DSN a whole is going through process to change for the better, and upgrading to accommodate current and future missions. It was interesting to see the new antenna resources being built, and decommissioning of others. It was nice to see how operations is being looked at for efficiencies from last minute SOE changes down to the noise on the voice loop and there are people tasked to look at items such as these. Having various subject experts was a great idea. It would be nice to see the panel better utilized with more focused topics directed to them in the future as needed. The point that DSN is changing and all users need to change to allow DSN to become better and more efficient came through loud and clear.
	X	JR	JR	A	2x per year	Alternate		It was difficult for remote participants to hear some of the speakers
X		JR	JR	SA	1x per year	Alternate	Recommend additional studies/metrics on actual usage of the DSN utilizing a year or more of data. Recommend presenting process improvements, i.e., reducing pre-calibration times, upgrading downlink receivers, etc	Having NASA HQ present their perspectives was indeed helpful. Presenting the results of the Science Decadal Survey would also be informative. As there are many teams involved with the operation of the DSN and nearly all teams are in different locations, understanding team interfaces and how each one works, is invaluable. Meeting periodically at the DSN Mission Forum substantially helps with this communication task
X		JR	JR	SA	1x per year	Alternate	Being on the DSN side I would have liked a few briefings by projects on issues from their perspective. The panel was good, but that is what was most interesting to me was hearing their perspective. We received a good high level perspective from the NASA briefers	I liked the forum. It was my first so I have nothing to compare it too, but I learned a lot so it achieved the goal of education and communication from my perspective.